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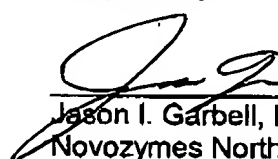
This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2003 that made a restriction requirement. Applicants were requested to elect one of two designated groups.

In response to this requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, Claims 68-77, 86-95, 104-113 and 122-131, drawn to alpha-amylase mutants and compositions thereof. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the nonelected subject matter.

The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

Respectfully submitted,

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